

Wednesday, March 1

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I don't know how much longer you are going to put up with John Sterling - I would just like to see you put him in his place once and for all. He seems to forget that you are his guest and certainly is rude - today the worst of all. I may not agree with all that you say but I defend it until my death your right to say /and have an open mind about the entire situation in Dallas. I don't know if you are a native of Maryland or have lived here very long, but don't think we ^{are} as rude as John Sterling. I listen with interest each time you appear on "Contact" and realize you must have spend a good deal of time in research. I would like to see more of you on television with ample time to really explain your books without being constantly interputed.

Sincerely,

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Dear Miss Basler,

John Sterling is an angel compared to some of the others. He is not actually against me at all, although he does not agree with me. That is just his way of giving the program pace, of making it move faster and be more exciting.

Unless he can familiarize himself with the subject, which he hardly has time to do, the only alternative he has is to sit quietly and let me talk. Then it would not be "The John Sterling Show".

I began to understand him when I was on his radio program. Actually, he and his producer and the stations have been quite nice to me, although I realize it doesn't seem that way on the air.

When I just could not take time from my work to go to Baltimore for the show they did come out here and film it. A Washington station that wanted me would not do that.

I have lived right here since 1948. My wife's people settled Maryland (after those who were not Indians among her ancestors!)

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg